

Meeting Announcement

Secretary's Advisory Committee on Xenotransplantation U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

The **fourth meeting of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Xenotransplantation (SACX)** will be held **March 11-12, 2002**, beginning at 8:00 AM both days, at the **Holiday Inn Bethesda**, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD, (301) 652-2000. The meeting is open to the public, but because seating is limited, **pre-registration is encouraged** (see below).

The SACX will focus on a variety of issues relating to the science of xenotransplantation and to informed consent issues in xenotransplantation clinical trials. The first day of the SACX meeting will be a workshop on the science of xenotransplantation, and will include presentations and discussions of endothelial cell-host interactions in solid organ xenotransplantation; transgenic and cloning technologies; cellular transplants; extracorporeal technologies; complement and coagulation systems; and immune rejection and tolerance. The second day will include concurrent breakout sessions during which the SACX Working Groups will convene, and plenary discussion of their progress. Closer to the meeting, a more updated agenda will be available electronically at: <http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/Sacx.htm>

For **pre-registration**, please contact Capital Consulting Corporation (Joanne Mowczko) at 301-468-6001, extension 418. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting and who need special assistance or other reasonable accommodations should notify Ms. Mowczko prior to the meeting.

Individuals who wish to provide **public comment** (oral or written) should notify the SACX Executive Director, Mary Groesch at 301-496-0785 or by email at groeschm@od.nih.gov.